

May 20, 2016

City Council;

Today's memo includes information from the May 10th Council meeting. Highlights include:

- Update on M-Star Motel
- Section 8 housing
- Planning Commission Materials

On Tuesday, Chief Information Officer Steven Deberry will share with you how Norfolk's efforts to expand Broadband will position the city as a leader in the region.

We had some significant public events this week. More than 50 citizens took their time to offer valuable input at the kickoff Vision 2100 meeting held at Attucks Theater on Thursday. Their input will be used to shape Norfolk's first long-range planning document. The next public meeting is scheduled for June 2nd.



Demolition on the Waterside annex is underway. The work will pave the way for a multi-purpose lot that will integrate into activities at Town Point Park. Waterside District is scheduled to open in Spring 2017.



MEMORANDUM

TO: City Council

FROM: Lori A. Crouch, Corporate Communications Director



COPIES TO: City Clerk, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Council Interests

DATE: May 20, 2016

Today's memo includes information and updates from the May 10, 2016 Informal City Council Session.

Senior Resource Guide: Staff is going to highlight the Senior Resource Guide on the front page of the City's website.

Section 8 Inspections: Norfolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority inspects Section 8 housing according to the following schedule:

- Initial/Move-in: Conducted upon receipt of Request for Tenancy Approval for all new move-ins.
- Annual: Must be conducted within twelve months of the last annual inspection.
- Special/Complaint: At request of owner, family or an agency or third-party.
- Quality Control randomly scheduled yearly.

Lake Whitehurst Vegetation: The Department of Utilities' Water Resources Manager is investigating invasive submerged aquatic vegetation in the area of Lake Whitehurst near Longdale and Fordwick Drives. Staff will develop a plan to reach and remove it.

M-Star Motel Update: The Board of Zoning Appeals ruled in favor of the City on Thursday. The owner has until June 6th to start demolition of the building. The owner is responsible for the costs associated with the demolition and removal of the structure.

Barraud Park: An interdepartmental effort is underway to address security, litter prevention and beautification in the park. Norfolk Police are patrolling the park daily on foot and bicycle. Officers are taking appropriate action to address illegal dumping, public intoxication, open containers and parking violations. Community Resource Officers are planning a Meet & Greet later this month. This includes going door-to-door to meet residents, provide contact information, address concerns and hand out safety tips.

Recreation, Parks and Open Space (RPOS) staff are working on a plan to address park beautification, maintenance, and enhanced signage. Waste Management will handle trash pick-up in the park which will allow RPOS to focus on litter removal and litter prevention within the park's boundaries.



Planning Commission Information: Planning staff includes a memo of any Planning Commission items that did not receive unanimous vote in the Friday Council packet. In addition, the Friday packet email includes highlights of special exemptions scheduled for Council's vote.

Have a good weekend.